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NOTICE

Sealed proposals will be received by the President and Council of the City of Palatka, Florida, until 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15th, 1905, for furnishing and laying about thirty thousand feet of four inch house branches. Bids must be accompanied by a certified check for \$300.00 made payable to the City Treasurer. For blank form or any other information address the Engineer. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

J. N. BLACKWELL,
City Clerk.

Wm. W. LYON,
Engineer.

Palatka, Fla., August 3, 1905.

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Rumor Has it Wrong.

It has been rumored on the street for several days that the I. M. Meyer Co. would occupy the corner store of the new Merryday block as soon as completed. Mr. Crook, manager of the company, when asked concerning the rumor yesterday said: "You may deny it. The I. M. Meyer Co. will remain where it is as long as it continues in business. The company, emphatically, is not going into the Merryday block."

If you want to get your money's worth; and see a good COLD knock out, use Peek's Pine Tar Syrup

FOR SALE--Sound, strong and perfectly reliable horse. Call on W. A. Russell, Crescent City.

Clifford W. Chalfinch, a Putnam county boy whose home is at Buffalo Bluff, and who is now serving in the United States navy on the Cincinnati, writes to friends in this city from Cavite, Philippine Islands, relating many experiences during the cruise of the fleet covering a period of about two years. Mr. Chalfinch witnessed the first sea fight between the Japanese and Russian fleets and also saw the landing of the first invading army of the Japs at Chemulpo, Korea. He writes interestingly of the movement of the Russian renegade Baltic squadron under Admiral Enquist, in its retreat from the Korean straits after the recent disastrous battle. The Cincinnati is now homeward bound, and Mr. Chalfinch will likely visit his old home at an early date.

The City Council.

The regular meeting of the city council on Tuesday night passed two ordinances. One of them gives the city a lien on property for making sewer connections, and the other defines the fire limits.

Alderman Davis of the property committee had been investigating the subject of furniture for the city building, and he told the council something about furniture. He had photographs of the furniture with him and figures showing what it would cost the city delivered in Palatka. His figures were from the Grand Rapids Furniture company, Jacksonville. The furniture Mr. Davis proposed would cost \$365.75 delivered. It was nice. The council hesitated to buy--it didn't have the ready cash, and Mr. Davis was told to hold on a bit and consult home dealers, and also to find out if the bid of the Jacksonville company was accepted. If the company would be willing to wait until January 1st for its pay. The same committee was also asked to get estimates for furniture for the municipal court room.

The report of the auditing committee was read. It gave the result of Special Auditor Collins' work on the books of city officers. He had gone over the books for 10 years back, and the officers were proved to be honest. Of course everybody knew it before, but it's nice to have the thing proved--and it's also strictly business.

Mayor Usina appeared before the council. He had suspended officer Saunders for alleged neglect of duty. The mayor said Saunders was too slow in getting around on the morning of the "Great Express Robbery(?)" and that he (the mayor) had suspended him. He wished the board to sustain him and suspend the officer and hire another policeman. The council thought it right that Saunders should have a hearing, but allowed the Mayor's suspension to stand until that time.

The G. S. & F. Ry. was given permission to grade Water street from Lemon to Laura, under supervision of the city engineer, and provided the city is put to no expense for the work.

The council will at a recess meeting tonight for the purpose of equalizing taxes.

Teachers Appointed.

At the regular meeting of the county school board Tuesday all the vacancies in the list of county teachers were filled as follows:

White--R. S. Geiger, principal at Crescent City. Mr. Geiger is from Clay county and is a brother of the county superintendent of that county. Miss Nellie Marshall was appointed teacher at Satsuna Heights, and Miss Orrie Pratt at Ochvilla school.

Colored--E. T. Holmes was appointed principal of Palatka colored school, and B. B. Posey at Crescent City.

A WARNING TO MOTHERS.

Too much care cannot be used with small children during the hot weather of the summer months to guard against bowel troubles. As a rule it is only necessary to give the child a dose of castor oil to correct any disorder of the bowels. Do not use any substitute, but give the old-fashioned castor oil, and see that it is fresh, as rancid oil nauseates and has a tendency to gripe. If this does not check the bowels give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and then a dose of castor oil, and the disease may be checked in its incipency and all danger avoided. The castor oil and this remedy should be procured at once and kept ready for instant use as soon as the first indication of any bowel trouble appears. This is the most successful treatment known and may be relied upon with implicit confidence even in cases of cholera infantum. For sale by Ackerman-Stewart Drug Co.

YELLOW FEVER CASES INCREASE.

It is now certain that New Orleans has settled down to an epidemic of yellow fever and that its people can scarce hope for its extermination before the frosts of early fall.

All during the past week the number of new cases reported has shown a steady increase, while the death rate has reached such proportions in the stricken city as to make it certain that the type of fever is anything but mild.

The record up to 8 p. m. on Wednesday was a total of 378 cases and 79 deaths.

New cases are being reported at the rate of over 30 per day and the death rate is conceded to be exceeding high. There were 32 new cases on Wednesday and 11 deaths. There were also on Wednesday a total of 54 points in the city from which the fever may spread. While the death rate is considered high, the authorities do not feel special alarm over the situation, accounting for the large number of deaths by the high temperature and heavy rains.

Most of the leading cities of the south are now enforcing quarantine regulations against New Orleans.

One case was reported from Montgomery, Ala., on Tuesday. It was of an Italian who came from the infected districts of New Orleans. The case was immediately taken care of by the authorities and every precaution taken to prevent a spread. On Wednesday the Montgomery board of health issued a statement showing this to be the only case in the city and expressing the belief that none others would develop.

Maccabees Doing Business.

Notwithstanding the disagreeable weather Wednesday night there was a fine representation of members present at the second meeting of the Knights of the Modern Maccabees at the Armory. And from all accounts there was something doing.

Seven new members were received at the meeting, two of whom were inducted into the order through the regular initiation. The new officers under the direction of Supervising Deputy A. C. Hamrick of Jacksonville, did very creditable work, considering the short time they have had for preparation.

The order has a bright future before it in Palatka.

The Petition is Ready.

The News is informed by a member of the temperance campaign committee that the petition for the wet and dry election will be presented to the board of county commissioners at its meeting next Monday. It is likely that the board will take up the petition at this meeting and if found to conform to all the legal requirements, that the election will be called. At any rate the board will complete its examination of the petition in ample time to give the required 30 days notice of the election. So says its chairman, Mr. L. C. Canova.

Nearly Ready For Business.

The new Water street terminal depot of the G. E. & F. Ry. is now completed and ready for occupancy. The company has obtained permission from the city to grade Water street from Lemon to Laura streets, and as soon as this is done and the tracks in the yard properly graded the trains will be leaving and arriving from this depot. It is stated that the company will also erect a pavilion for passengers on the Larkins lot, directly opposite the depot. The new terminal station is a well-built, handsome and commodious edifice and the parts devoted to office and waiting rooms are most comfortable.

Pythians Buy Corneely Block.

St. Johns Lodge No. 8, Knights of Pythias has purchased the property on Water street known as the Corneely Block, and the building will be immediately converted into a castle hall and home for the lodge, the lower floors being used for business purposes.

The hall in the Kern Block, which has for so many years been occupied by the Knight, and which is being remodeled, will be vacated, owing to some disagreement with the owner in plans.

Will Have a New Wagon.

Mayor Usina explained the present torn up condition of Palatka's streets to Supt. J. B. Hockaday of the Southern Express Co., while that official was in the city the other day, but assured him that as soon as the public improvements had been completed the city would begin a systematic cleaning up. "After the cleaning has been completed," continued the mayor, at the same time pointing to the dilapidated delivery wagon of the Express company, "that old wagon and mule of yours will be more of an eye-sore than it is today, and we would like to have your company give us something better."

"All right," responded Mr. Hockaday, "I will promise you now that by next winter we will send a brand new wagon and horse to Palatka to take the place of the present delivery wagon."

The Mayor thanked Mr. Hockaday for the promise.

Brooks Discharged.

Furney Brooks charged by Calhoun Gatlin, his cop-in-law, with assault with intent to murder was discharged from custody by Justice Rowton yesterday afternoon. An account of the fracas was published in this paper last week. The testimony showed conclusively that Brooks did no more than defend his home. Capt. E. Noble Calhoun appeared for the defendant Brooks and Hon. B. P. Calhoun appeared for the state. Even the latter asked for Brooks' discharge. There was a large crowd present in the court house of the friends of both the Brooks and Gatlin families.

An Opportunity.

There has been a big hole made in the dry goods and straw hat stock of A. W. Strange & Company during the past three weeks, but there are still many bargains in all departments.

Strange & Company are going to retire from business in Palatka and the entire stock is being sold at cost and below to close out as quickly as possible. Those who appreciate bargains should not delay but look now.

Charlie Merryday, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Merryday, is at Dr. Worley's hospital, St. Augustine, suffering from a severe attack of typhoid fever. Mrs. Merryday leaves tomorrow for the hospital to remain until her son shall have passed the critical stage of the disease. Miss Marie will go to Crescent Beach and Harry, who was discharged from the hospital last Sunday, is going to Daytona Beach for a short time in hopes that the salt air will assist him in recovering his strength more speedily.

Vice President Fairbanks is ill of acute indigestion at Detroit, Mich.

Bishop Isaac W. Joyce of the Methodist Episcopal church, is dead.

Caleb C. Willard, owner of the Ebbitt House, Washington, D. C. is dead at Atlantic City.

Bishop R. K. Hargrove of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, is dead at Nashville, Tenn.

STATE NEWS IN TABLOID

The first bale of cotton for the season of 1905-6 was raised by Walton Blackstone a negro of Leon county.

State Senator Geo. M. Lee of Lake county died suddenly of heart failure at his home in Leesburg August 2d.

J. L. Green and Edward McCrue of Sanderson are both dead as a result of a duel fought with pistols at that place last Saturday.

The supreme court has killed all hope of Sunday base ball in Jacksonville. That law of the last legislature is one that is "constitutional."

Wade Wynn, a well-known citizen of Starke has gone "daffy" on "guessing contests" and has been taken to the asylum at Chattahoochee.

Gov. Broward has set aside a fund of \$10,000 as immediately available for the state board of health to fight yellow fever. The fund will be used.

The question of uniting Manatee and Bradenton under one charter was voted down at a meeting of the joint consolidating committees of the two places last week.

Gov. Broward on Tuesday appointed M. A. Brown to the position of private secretary to the governor, in place of Charles H. Dickinson, who was a holdover from Gov. Jennings.

John B. Vaughan, ex-representative in the Florida legislature from Escambia county has been sentenced to five years in the penitentiary for manslaughter. He hates to go, and has given bond pending appeal to a higher court.

The supreme court has refused the request of Gov. Broward that it pass upon the constitutionality of the Buckinham educational law. The court says it is not authorized to pass upon the constitutionality of statutes affecting the governor's executive duties and powers.

The first step in carrying out Gov. Broward's plan to drain the Everglades was taken by the board of trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund last week, when the board ordered a preliminary survey made for a drainage canal from Lake Okechobee to the St. Lucie river.

On July 15th, two young men left Green Cove Springs for a bicycle trip to Portland, Oregon. If all that energy were expended on a Bradford county cotton farm or strawberry garden these young men would soon be able to wear diamonds and ride to Portland in a Pullman car.--Starke Telegraph.

Angus Paterson, a prominent attorney of Madison, is dead. He was a member of the constitutional convention of 1865. He was a devoted member of the Masonic fraternity and took an active share in the proceedings of that order. He was a high minded and efficient attorney--a "gentleman of the old school."

Victor Vitello, the Italian reported with yellow fever at Tampa last week is slowly but surely recovering. There has been no new cases. Dr. J. Y. Porter, the state health officer, who took immediate charge of the situation in Tampa is being congratulated on all hands for his prompt, vigorous, and effective handling of the case.

The board of commissioners of state institutions has awarded the state printing contract for the ensuing two years to the Capital Publishing company, of which L. B. Hilson is pretty much the whole push. If the work for the coming two years reaches the same degree of finish as has characterized it the past four, it may be found proper to award future contracts of the kind to Tallahassee's village blacksmith.

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